

Among the Churches

Nappanee, Ind

Good congregations and good interest. Souls are coming to the Lord. Two came forward last night, others are deeply convicted.

Dear Brother Wampler visited my home over Sunday. Preached Sunday 4 P. M. and at night to good congregations. He also preached Tuesday night of this week. Oh how I wish I could have been home and enjoyed his presence. Some day with family and loved ones we hope to meet where partings will be unknown.

When we return home in April we expect to open a Mission in Bethlehem, Pa. We rented a room suitable for the occasion the Saturday before I left for Indiana, and it will be put in readiness by April 1st. This town of 25,000 inhabitants is connected with Allentown by two street car lines and two rail roads. We have five members there now with bright prospects for more. This will be the first mission for the First Brethren church in Allentown. Sister Alice Harley will help organize and superintend the Sunday school. Preaching every Saturday night and Sunday school every Sunday afternoon.

My brother J. S. Bowman has been employed by Sergeantsville and Calvary N. J. churches for a year beginning about April 1st. He will be within forty miles of Philadelphia and closer yet to Allentown. We expect to unite our forces in pushing forward the work. We believe there is a harvest ripening for the Brethren here in the East. Nine years ago we had one organized church. Now we have six and three missions. May the Lord prosper his work. Amen.

ISAAC D. BOWMAN.

Dutchtown, Ind.

Since my last report to the EVANGELIST, I have held a meeting at this place, which continued two weeks and one night and resulted in seven confessions and additions. One was baptized, two came to us from the German Baptist church one a minister (Rev. Levi Stoneburner, Warsaw, Ind.) able to do a great Evangelistic work ready at any time to go into the field, and four are yet to be baptized. Others are near the kingdom.

We also have a splendid Sunday school under the care of brother C. D. Longanecker; and our prayer meetings are doing a wonderful work.

Our church is under the care of brother C. F. Yoder as Elder who has been a faithful brother to us. We are wonderfully built up but give God the glory, many dark days have passed and sunshine has come at last. We don't feel that this article is complete without mentioning the name of brother B. N. Flora who has planted the church at this place whom we esteem very highly. We have services at this place every Sunday evening. The young people are doing a good work. Pray for us.

T. H. PLEW.

Dayton, Ohio

The work here is still prospering. Two have made applications for membership since our meeting closed.

Last Sunday morning we had one hundred present in Sunday school and a very good congregation at preaching services.

We have a splendid Young People's Society with about 30 members.

Last Saturday evening quite a number of the brethren and sisters made a brief call at the pastor's home and just loaded our larder down with good things. These people have been very kind to us and we pray God to richly bless them for their deeds of love.

We certainly feel very much encouraged in the work here and hope we may be able to continue to give favorable reports.

Why is it that we cannot hear anything more of the death and burial of our beloved brother J. M. Bowman. Brother Bowman was one of our most

consecrated workers and substantial ministers and the people of Ohio would certainly be glad to hear more about his death and last resting place.

Our family has been much afflicted this winter and for the past four weeks our son Irl was very sick but is now convalescing.

I am helping Brother White at Pleasant Hill some during the week and thus far there have been four additions. A full report will be given when the meeting closes.

J. L. KIMMEL.

College Items

The winter term is rapidly drawing to a close.

Pres. J. Allen Miller filled Wm. Beachler's appointment in the Miami Valley March 1st.

In the absence of Pres. Miller, Prof. C. O. Witter preached in the College Chapel last Sunday morning.

Frank B. Yoder, one of our promising young "theologs", taught Pres. Miller's Bible class last Saturday morning.

Miss Grace Switzer, instructor in Elocution and Physical Training at the College, spent Sunday visiting at the pleasant country home of Miss Winnie Mason, near Ashland.

D. F. Eikenberry being in attendance at the great Toronto convention, had his regular appointment at Williamstown, O., filled by Marcus Witter, one of our theologs, who preaches regularly at West Independence, O.

E. D. Burnworth filled his regular appointment at Glenford on last Sunday. This is the first time for six weeks that Brother Burnworth could visit his people on account of several cases of small pox in his congregation.

The College Y. M. C. A. was addressed by Rev. Cronenberger of the Disciple church Sunday afternoon. He gave the young men an inspiring address on "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." He dwelt in particular on the point of personal "fishing"—one "fish" at a time as the most effective method in "landing" men in the kingdom.

Miss Pearl Holsinger of Ridgely, Md., one of our latest additions among the lady students, was seriously ill last week with an attack of appendicitis. Under skilled medical attention and the care of a professional nurse, Miss Pearl is slowly convalescing.

The presence of Miss Alma Moomaw at the College this winter has been very beneficial in more ways than one. In no way one of the least of these benefits is that upon two different occasions she rendered exceedingly valuable services in the capacity of professional nurse.

Ere long, much to the regret of the "Dorm" residents, Father and Mother Keim will bid adieu to the old Dorm and move to their pleasant home in a quiet little nook in the thriving village of Louisville, O. Mrs. Keim has been working very faithfully and patiently of late, preparing rags for a new carpet for the old home. Last Thursday eve the daughters of the Dorm all gathered in the Keim apartments and after about two hours brisk labor, the rags were all sewed and ready for the carpet weaver. Light refreshments were served.

Miss Switzer's classes in Physical Training are working up some very unique exercises, and will render an extensive program before the public, at the close of this term. Miss Switzer seems to be the right person in the right place.

Under the able supervision of Chas. G. Leslie and Chas. M. Holsinger, a very neat room is being fitted up for the home of the College Y. M. C. A. The room will be nicely papered, the floor waxed, and a number of good chairs and a couple good tables will be provided. The room will be supplied with several good books and a number of choice magazines and papers. We hope to have our Y. M. C. A. headquarters so attractive and comfortable.

ble that our young men would rather be there than on the streets at night.

The regular Sunday evening Endeavor meeting was led by Frank B. Yoder. The attendance was fair and the interest in the topic was exceptionally good. Brother Yoder has shown himself to be a very efficient leader on occasions of this kind.

After the Endeavor meeting last Sunday evening, Mr. Wheeler, an attorney for the State Anti-Saloon League addressed the audience. Mr. Wheeler was a graduate of Oberlin College eight years ago, and has been connected with the Anti-Saloon Movement ever since. He appears to be an excellent Christian gentleman, and is thoroughly familiar with the work he has in hand. He is a very pleasing and entertaining speaker, and succeeded in arousing a great deal of sympathy among our people, for his work.

You remember that Prof. W. D. Furry, George Drushal, D. F. Eikenberry, J. C. Beal, William Beachler and George Carpenter, all of the college, spent last week at the great World's Convention at Toronto, Canada. They returned early in this week, filled to overflowing with renewed inspiration for more efficient service for Christ. Next Sunday P. M. at the Y. M. C. A. meeting these men will briefly review this great convention. Special music will be prepared and a crowded house of attentive listeners will greet these men. We all anticipate a "mountain top" of blessing and inspiration from the report of this great World's Student Convention. We trust that at least a couple of articles will be prepared by these men, reviewing the Convention for publication in the EVANGELIST.

A STUDENT.

La Paz, Ind.

Our work is moving along as usual, on last Sabbath we had the pleasure of seeing another soul step out on the side of the Lord. He had been a member of the church before, but had wandered away from God. Some people think if one tries and makes a failure, they had better not try again, but I say the sooner they seek a free and full salvation the better for them and every one else.

I believe our S. S. C. E. is the best organization we have. Sister Hostetler is president and Sister Walter secretary. When the sisters meet they mean business and that is solid work from morning till night. The work consists mostly of quilting, making comforts and sewing carpet rags.

We have a good S. S., our Superintendent, Brother Hostetler is well qualified for the position he occupies. He knows how to search the scripture, and has proved himself a workman that needs not be ashamed.

I only wish our Young People's Society would prove itself more faithful. We have not had a Young People's meeting for more than a month, but I hope we will have a good meeting next Sunday evening.

Our desire is to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to become rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, and be filled with all the fullness of God, so that we may stand the storms of life and still be able to reach a helping hand to those that are under the curse of sin.

EMMA V. HOUSER.

Akron, Ind.

We praise God and greatly rejoice at the good result of the work at the Brethren chapel since J. M. Fox has been our pastor. He is an earnest worker for the cause of Christ and for the salvation of souls. Prior to our revival there had been eight added to the church, five by letter, two by relation and one from the Baptists who had been baptized by triune immersion. Five of these being heads of families which greatly strengthened the church. At our last quarterly business meeting at the chapel the brethren saw the need of a protracted meeting in Akron. So on Jan. 20, Brother Fox commenced a meeting and held forth the